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SUBJECT: YARG REQUEST FOR URGENT MILITARY ASSISTANCE

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1. GIVEN QADHAFI'S ILL- CONCEALED DISTRUST OF COMMUNIST- INFLUENCED PDRY AND HIS ENTHUSIASTIC PATRONAGE OF MERGER OF YEMENS WHICH QADHAFI SEES AS MEANING SANAA'S PARAMOUNTCY OVER 'ADEN, WE BELIEVE LARG WOULD PROMPTLY EXTEND UNILATERAL MORAL, AND PROBABLY MATERIAL, SUPPORT TO

IRYANI IN RESPONSE TO APPEAL. WHAT PUZZLES US IS THAT IRYANI APPARENTLY HAS NOT ADDRESSED SUCH A PLEA TO QADHAFI ALREADY. IF HE HAS NOT DONE SO, IT MAY HAVE BEEN OUT OF FEAR OF STIRRING UP SAUDI RESENTMENT. ALSO CURIOUS IS FACT THAT QADHAFI RECEIVED HERE MARCH 30 PDRY MININT MUHAMMAD SALIH MUTI WHO LEFT SAME DAY FOR ADEN, ACCORDING TO PRESS.

2. WE SEE AS BUTTRESSING OUR OPINION REPORTS OF LARG FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OMAN WHICH EARLIER POINTED ACCUSING FINGER AT PDRY FOR ABETTING DHOFAR REBELS.

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3. FROM HERE WE SEE FEW ADVOCATES IN ARAB LEAGUE
COUNCILS FOR PDRY IF IRYANI TAKES HIS CASE TO CAIRO.
IRAQI SUPPORT FOR ADEN LIKELY; AND SYRIANS, ALGERIANS,
AND EGYPTIANS WOULD PROBABLY WAFFLE; BUT OTHER ARABS,
INCLUDING LAR OBVIOUSLY, SHOULD RALLY AROUND YAR.
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